

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. Independent claim 1 has been canceled herein without prejudice or disclaimer and is replaced by new claim 16. Claim 16 has been written to delete the objectionable terms, to provide antecedent basis for all elements and to disclose the structure, not the function of the device. Reference numbers have been corrected.

Claims 2, 3 and 10 have been amended to depend from new claim 16.

Claim 15 has been amended to provide an antecedent basis for "real key". The real key is disclosed in WO 2005/075770 on page 8, lines 16-18 and is shown in FIG. 15.

Please note that FIG. 6 shows the blocking position of the internal handle whereas FIG. 1 shows the idle position of the internal handle. FIG. 7 shows both the internal handle and the external handle.

Claims 1-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by *Pedersoli* (DE-4009764). It is submitted that there are significant differences between the handle of the cited reference and the handle of the present invention.

Pedersoli discloses a door handle comprising an internal handle, an external handle and a spring latch with an opening lever, by means of a push button. However, *Pedersoli* does not disclose an ejection spring to bias the push button.

Furthermore both the internal handle and the external handle have a single piece body-handle having a L-shaped profile with a first rectilinear section parallel to the door joined to a second section orthogonal to the first section.

Garofoli discloses an ejection spring to bias the push button of the handle. Furthermore the body-handle comprises two pieces (a lower part (1a) and an upper part (1b) matched together). The body-handle has a first rectilinear section (TR) parallel to the door joined to a second section (TI) inclined with respect to the first section.

The external handle (ME) and internal handle (MI) are fixed to a door leaf (B), by means of screws (V) crossing through holes (P) of the door leaf (B).

Pins (1c) are provided at the end of the inclined section of the lower part (1a) and the upper part (1b) of the body-handle. The pins (1c) are engaged in said holes (P) provided in the door leaf (B).

Pedersoli does not disclose such a mounting configuration.

The mounting configuration disclosed in *Garofoli* allows that the handle can be easily assembled and mounted to a door.

It is submitted that the cited reference does not describe each element of the claimed device and lifting of this basis for rejection is respectfully requested.

It appears that all matters have been addressed satisfactorily, and that the case is now in condition for a complete allowance; and the same is respectfully urged.

However, if the Examiner has any comments or questions, or has any suggestions as per MPEP 707.07 (d) and (j), for putting the case in condition for final allowance, she is respectfully urged to contact the undersigned attorney-of-record at the telephone number below, so that an expeditious resolution may be effected and the case passed to issue promptly.

Respectfully submitted,

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